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# SYMBOLS EXPLANATION :--

❖ Balcony :-- Symbolizes an elevated position. Within a reading, a balcony represents the person need to raise his/her self above it all and to look at things differently. This detached view of their life and/or problems will help them to see things more clearly.

❖ Banner (Flag):-- Symbolizes transformation. Within a reading, a flag or banner is an announcement of change in the life and the flag is telling the world all about it. However, it can also represent a rallying call, asking people (probably family) to rally around the person's new cause.

❖ Bed Symbolizes:-- a retreat or a safe place. Within a reading, a bed represents that the person might be feeling under pressure as a result of recent troubling events in their life. They need to sit down, relax and find some time for themselves away from the pressures of the day.

❖ Begging Bowl Symbolizes :-- the need of help from some quarter.  
Within a reading, a begging bowl can represent the person needing and asking for help and assistance with some aspect of their life. By contrast, a begging bowl can also represent that the sitter is a generous giver of their time to help others.

❖ Bird Symbolizes :-- rising above the normal.  
Within a reading, a bird represents the person need to lighten their thoughts. To rise above the problems of the material world and to look at the bigger picture and to raise their individual spirituality.

❖ Black Bird Symbolizes :-- metaphorical death, as in something coming to an end. Within a reading, the appearance of any species of black bird tells us that some aspect of the person's life is coming to an end. This could be a problem that they have been struggling with, or possibly a difficult phase in their life that they have been going through.

❖ Blindfold Symbolizes :-- our inability to see things clearly.  
Within a reading, a blindfold represents the person is unwillingness to face the truth about some troubling aspect of their life. Basically that the sitter is turning a blind eye. It can also be a sign that something is being kept, or hidden from them.



❖ Bridge Symbolizes :-- dwelling on the past.

Within a reading, the appearance of a bridge represents the person's mind being stuck in past events. The bridge is a reminder to the sitter that it is time to move on to a new phase in their life.

❖ Broken Glass Symbolizes :-- that something is beyond repair. Within a reading, the appearance of broken or shattered glass represents a final (and probably permanent) break in the life. This could be anything from the end of a relationship to the end of their current occupation.

❖ Castle Symbolizes :-- goals and achievements. Within a reading, a castle represents the person's long and difficult journey to achieve their goal in life. This might be a long university degree course, or a long battle against illness. Whatever the person's goal is, they are well on their way to achieving it. On a simpler note, a castle can represent security or sanctuary

❖ Cat Symbolizes :-- spiritual ability. Within a reading, the appearance of a cat in the spread denotes the person's quest for spiritual enlightenment. Not necessarily in a religious sense (although it could be), but possibly just seeking a path in life that can liberate them and make them feel free. In this case, a cat would indicate that the person is burdened with too many responsibilities

❖Catacombs Symbolizes :-- your deepest thoughts. Within a reading, catacombs infer that the person is troubled with a series of unsettling thoughts from the darkest corners of their mind. However, it can also imply that the person is so lost in their deep thoughts that they are missing out on life.

❖Chains Symbolizes :-- restraint or restriction. Within a reading, chains represent that the person is feeling held back, or being prevented from carrying out some action or other. If the chains are presented as some form of jewellery, then the problem is of a more delicate nature.

❖Cherubs Symbolizes :-- spiritual innocence. Within a reading, a cherub can represent the person's innocence or naivety in the adult world. It could also represent that the person is one of life's gentler souls.

❖Coral Symbolizes abundance and prosperity. Within a reading, the appearance of coral in the spread indicates that the person is enjoying the fruits of their labors. However, just like the coral itself, their current situation could be more fragile than they might realize. It is important that the person takes steps to protect themselves

❖ Dolphin Symbolizes :-- friends, happiness and amusement. Within a reading, the appearance of a dolphin represents that the person is enjoying a good social life at the moment.

❖ Fairy Symbolizes :-- paranormal powers and imagination. Within a reading, the appearance of a fairy in the spread indicates that the person probably possesses psychic abilities, whether they are aware of it or not. The images that flash through their minds are being wrongly dismissed as simple imagination.

❖ Fish Symbolizes :-- intuition and creativity. Within a reading, fish have many meanings. Fish can represent knowledge, inspiration or the mental balancing of the sitter's thoughts. The person might be a very creative person, or might possess a high level of intuition or spiritual ability. On the other hand, it could represent the fact that the person is involved with, or is dealing with a 'slippery' person or situation.

❖ Fur Symbolizes :-- affluence, status and luxury. Within a reading, animal fur depicts the person's desire for status, wealth and good fortune in life. However, in order to achieve those goals, the person will have to make some sacrifices.

❖ Heart Symbolizes :-- love, joy and affection. Within a reading, a heart suggests that the person needs to pay attention to the things that are important to them. The heart is also a symbol of truth, courage and loyalty. In that respect, it is probably time for the person to take stock of other people in their life, in order to see if these issues are reciprocated.

- ❖ Hourglass Symbolizes :-- the passage of time. Within a reading, the appearance of an hourglass refers to the fact that the person is running out of time. The person has something that is blocking their progress and they must deal with it as soon as possible. They need to do what needs to be done in order to get on with their life.
- ❖ Kite Symbolizes :-- aspirations. Within a reading, a kite can represent the person's hopes, dreams and aspirations. However, it can also represent the person's desire to escape their responsibilities.
- ❖ Laurel Wreath Symbolizes :-- achievement. Within a reading, the appearance of a laurel wreath indicates that the person has recently achieved something in their life that they are very proud of. This could be anything from passing an exam, getting the job that they have always wanted or overcoming some personal problem that has been holding them back.
- ❖ Lizard Symbolizes :-- renewal and rebirth. Within a reading, the appearance of a lizard infers that the person is about to enter a phase of clear vision and enlightenment in their life. This is most probably connected to the person's realization that a new opportunity is presenting itself to them. This new opportunity will offer a whole new start.

❖ Magpie Symbolizes :-- Magpie is a black and white bird which shows balance in life. Within a reading, a magpie can refer to the person's tendency to chase after false ideas or perceptions. Its appearance in the spread is a reminder to that the time has come to re-evaluate their priorities. The magpie's love of shiny or glittery things can suggest that the person could be more interested in the material side of life and ignoring their spiritual side.

❖ Moat Symbolizes :-- protection. Within a reading, a moat suggests that the person is feeling vulnerable at the moment and feels in need of protecting themselves in some aspect of their life, which is probably an emotional issue. A moat can also represent the person's need to cut themselves off from something, to stop it in its tracks, possibly the emotional issue mentioned above.

❖ Mouse Symbolizes :-- scrutiny. Within a reading, a mouse represents examination. As mice are pretty short-sighted, they have to examine their surroundings with great care. This suggests that they must pay attention to detail. If they are faced with legal documents or a contract for example, they must scrutinize that document and examine every detail before they sign it. Failure to do so could result in future problems.



❖ Octopus Symbolizes :-- flexibility. Within a reading, an octopus has nearly as many meanings as the octopus has tentacles. It can represent flexibility, unpredictability or even creativity. However, as far as the person is concerned, it is probably a warning to cut back on their workload and responsibilities, as they have their fingers in too many pies and the strain is starting to tell on them.

❖ Owl Symbolizes :-- wisdom. Within a reading, an owl can be interpreted in two ways. It can represent the fact that the person needs to 'wise up' to the circumstances that presently surround them. However, it can also mean that the person already possesses the required wisdom to deal with whatever they have been confronted with recently. The surrounding cards will indicate which interpretation applies.

❖ Pearls Symbolizes :-- wisdom. Within a reading, pearls are said to represent wisdom that has been acquired through experience. As far as the person is concerned, pearls infer that he or she has learned a life lesson recently, having gone through an experience that was probably an unpleasant one. As the saying goes, 'wise after the event'. However, this newly gained wisdom will prepare them for similar future events and allow them to handle it better

❖ Rabbit Symbolizes :-- being grounded. Within a reading, rabbits are considered to be a strong spiritual symbol in the world of spiritualism. It can be regarded as a sign that the person is beginning to, or has already started to understand their spiritual needs, as opposed to their materialistic needs. This is probably manifesting itself in the sitters mind as understanding the importance of family and friends, for it is the people who are closest to us that keep us grounded in the real world.

❖ Red Sky Symbolizes :-- trouble ahead. Within a reading, the red sky is not telling the person that tomorrow will be a nice day as the old saying goes. It appears in the spread as a warning of trouble ahead. The person may not know what this warning refers to, but now is the time to anticipate the probable problem, or problems that are coming their way and to prepare for it.

❖ Skeleton (or Skull) Symbolizes :-- transition. Within a reading, while most of us look upon skulls and skeletons as a creepy reminder of our own mortality, they have a completely different meaning in the Tarot. For the sitter, a skull or a skeleton represents half-formed, or not fully developed ideas or plans. The person might be in the early stages of their project, but they can take comfort with the appearance of skulls or skeletons, as they represent change, transition or transformation, usually for the better.

❖ Snail Symbolizes :-- steady progress. Within a reading, a snail indicates that the person might be trying to rush things. Whatever goal that the person is aiming to achieve, they should realise that there is no shortcut. No matter how hard the person tries, their progress cannot be hurried. Success does not come overnight, but it will happen. The snail represents slow, but steady progress and the person will just have to learn to be a bit less impatient.

❖ Star (Stars) Symbolizes :-- guidance. Within a reading, the appearance of stars in the spread indicates that the person is experiencing some turmoil in their life at the moment. Their life seems to be a little topsy-turvy right now, causing them a lot of confusion. The star symbol deals with shedding some light into their life. They must focus on one problem at a time and deal with it, moving onto the next problem and dealing with that and so on. There is light at the end of the tunnel, but the illumination of that light comes from within.

❖ Swan Symbolizes :-- loyalty. Within a reading, the appearance of a swan signifies that dignity and loyalty has (or is about to) come into their life. This could be in the shape of a professional advancement, but it is more likely to be within a new relationship. The swan also suggests that now is the time for the person to trust their instincts and to go with their gut feeling.

❖ Treasure Box Symbolizes :-- secrets. Within a reading, a treasure box implies that the person is keeping something to themselves. This could be a memory of something that has happened to the sitter that they wish to keep secret. It could be information about someone or something that they have been entrusted with and that they know they must never reveal. If this is a sentimental memory, then they should keep it close to their heart and cherish it. On the other hand, if this memory relates to something nasty that has happened, then now is the time to seek help.

❖ Veil Symbolizes :-- mysticism. Within a reading, a veil can represent two sides of the same coin. On the one hand, a veil can indicate that the person is hiding behind a façade, not allowing the world to see the real person inside. On the other hand, a veil can represent that the person possesses hidden knowledge, usually of a spiritual or psychic nature. Either way, the person sits behind a veil of mysticism and is usually an old soul with life experiences beyond their years.

❖ Window Symbolizes:-- a new outlook. Within a reading, a window represents a new perspective, or a new opportunity. However, it can also indicate that the person feels as if they are on the outside looking in. The time has come for the person to move inside and take an active part in whatever it is that they have been observing. Only by joining in will they be able to take advantage of all the new opportunities that will be within their grasp.



❖ Wolf Symbolizes :-- loyalty. Within a reading, the appearance of a wolf can indicate that the person's loyalties are being tested in some way. This could be a situation that has arisen at work, or within the person's circle of family and friends. The loyal and intelligent wolf reminds us that we do not have to 'follow the pack' or to try and 'fit in'. The person must be true to themselves and follow their heart when deciding where their loyalties lie.

❖ Workbench Symbolizes :-- creativity. Within a reading, the appearance of a workbench indicates that the person is going through a busy time right now, or is possibly just about to begin a busy period in their life. The workbench hints at hard work, industrious efforts and creativity. The person must work hard to achieve the goals that they have set for themselves, but this is not an issue for them. They are ready, willing and able with all of the tools that they need at hand, in order to achieve that goal.

❖ Zodiac Circle Symbolizes :-- our circle of friends. Within a reading, the appearance of the zodiac circle comes as a reminder that we do not live our lives alone. We are surrounded by people from the other star signs and we are influenced by the character of the animals that some of them represent. For the person, if they are struggling a little at the moment, then they should turn to their 'circle' of family and friends for help, just as they would turn to the person in their hour of need if they had to

